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SUBJ: CHURCH SUBCOMMITTEE ON MULTINATIONAL CORPORA-

**TIONS** 

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- 1. I UNDERSTAND THAT CHIEF COUNSEL LEVINSON OF CHURCH SUBCOMMITTEE ON MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS IS FREELY TALKING TO THE PRESS WITH REGARD TO MY CONVERSATION WITH HIM. I HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT I WAS GIVING LEVINSON BACKGROUND INFORMATION OF MY KNOWLEDGE OF THE EXXON AFFAIR AND THAT THERE WAS NO QUESTION OF HIS USING THIS WITH THE PRESS.
- 2. IF IT IS TRUE THAT HE IS DOING THIS, I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IT YOU WOULD SPEAK TO HIM SINCE I ALREADY KNOW THAT HE HAS INACCURATELY QUOTED ME IN A CONVERSATION WITH BEAUDRY. MOREOVER, I UNDERSTAND THAT HE HAS ATTRIBUTED TO ME WHAT AMBASSADOR MARTIN WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE SAID AS REPORTED IN LAST SENTENCE PARA 3 REFTEL. WHAT I TOLD LEVINSON WAS THAT I WAS NOT PRESENT WHEN THE EXXON PEOPLE BROUGHT TO MARTIN'S ATTENTION ESSO'S CONTRIBUTIONS. THEREFORE, I DID NOT KNOW WHAT HIS REACTION HAD BEEN. I SAID THAT SUBSEQUENTLY WHEN AMBASSADOR MARTIN HAD SHOWN ME THAT EXTENT OF OIL COMPANY (NOT JUST ESSSO) CONFIDENTIAL

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CONTRIBUTIONS, WE HAD BEEN SOMEWHAT SURPRISED BY THE EX-

TENT OF IT.

3. IF LEVINSON IS SO FREELY QUOTING ME AND APPARENTLY IN-ACCURATELY, I BELIEVE THAT YOU SHOULD GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM. IF NOT, THEN I INTEND TO CALL LEVINSON MYSELF. THIS HARDLY GIVES ME MUCH INCENTIVE TO BE COOPERATIVE WITH THESE PEOPLE IN THE FUTURE.

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